

**Michigan Interagency Coordinating Council (MICC)**  
**Quick Notes**  
**September 18, 2013**

**Action Items:**

- ▶ The MICC was in support of writing a letter to the Office of Great Start for their application for Race to the Top funds.
- ▶ The MICC approved the following meeting dates for 2014:
  - February 25, 2014
  - May 27, 2014
  - September 23, 2014
  - November 25, 2014

**Presentations:**

- ▶ Tiffany Kostelec from the Michigan Department of Community Health shared an overview of the Affordable Care Act and how it affects *Early On*<sup>®</sup>.
- ▶ Christy Callahan, Victoria Meeder, and Nancy Surbrook shared the various components of the *Early On* Support to the Field grant, including Public Awareness, Training and Technical Assistance, and the Center for Higher Education.
- ▶ Colin Parks from the Michigan Department of Human Services and Kelly Hurshe from the Michigan Department of Education presented information about Safe Sleep. The goal of the Safe Sleep initiative is to spread awareness of safe sleep practices for infants.

The presentations and more information can be found at: [www.michigan.gov/micc](http://www.michigan.gov/micc).

**Updates:**

System of Services Ad Hoc Committee

The committee met September 4, 2013. A summary document highlighting the work they've done related to their charge is in draft. Additional items will be added to it including elements from the Office of Great Start report and a report being developed for the Michigan Association of Administrators of Special Education (MAASE) about birth mandate states.

Feeding Ad Hoc Committee

The Feeding Ad Hoc Committee met in July and reviewed their charge and decided to develop a position paper that starts to delineate what the physician/medical home does and what *Early On* does for a child with feeding difficulties. The MICC will be asked to approve the paper when it's completed.

Head Start Ad Hoc Committee

The first meeting was held September 9, 2013. The group will request information from Head Start programs across the state regarding their Eligibility Selection Criteria. They are also exploring developing a joint training for *Early On* and Head Start which may be done via webinar, along with written guidance.

Early On license plate

A packed room of *Early On* supporters provided testimony to the transportation subcommittee for House Bill 4004, which would create an *Early On* license plate. House Bill 4004 was introduced by Representative Dian Slavens. It has not been voted on yet by the committee.

### Part C Determination

*Early On*, Part C, received a "Meets Requirements" from the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) again this year.

### Early On Conference

The *Early On* Conference will be held November 14-15, 2013 at The Henry in Dearborn. The theme is the art of early intervention.

### Office of Great Start (OGS) Report

The Office of Great Start completed a report titled, "Great Start, Great Investment, Great Future." It was shared with the State Board of Education, after it had been submitted to the Legislature. It can be found at: [www.michigan.gov/greatstart](http://www.michigan.gov/greatstart).

### State Performance Plan (SPP)/Annual Performance Report (APR) webinar

A national webinar was held August 16, 2013 to discuss the new qualitative indicator (#11) State Systemic Improvement Plan (SSIP). Indicator 11 represents a major shift in how OSEP will look at data; which will focus on functional outcomes for all children with disabilities. The MICC will continue to learn more and be involved as MDE begins to work on the SSIP.

### Office of Auditor General

MDE has reviewed draft memos from the Auditor General's office but has not received an official report.

### **Information:**

- ▶ Susan Broman presented Vanessa Winborne with a coin symbolizing the Good Government Award. Susan remarked on Vanessa's dedication and attitude as well as her ability to do so much with so few resources.
- ▶ Vanessa Winborne shared information about the SSIP, the timeline for submission, and expectations of the MICC related to the new SPP/APR Indicator.
- ▶ Celena Barnes shared information about the workshops she attended at the OSEP Leadership Conference held this summer.
- ▶ Outgoing MICC members include Debbie Bedard, Julie Lagos, and Johanna Ostwald, whose terms expire on October 31, 2013. Council members and guests honored the members and thanked them for their years of service.

### **2013 MICC Meeting Dates:**

November 20, 2013     9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. MDE, State Board Room, Lansing, MI

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